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Description: ff. 269 - 16th-century limp vellum, gilt, with ties - Sir Thomas Phillipps (MS 12283); A. Chester Beatty, his sale, Sotheby's, (1933); bought by Philip Hofer from H. P. Kraus in 1946 and deposited in 1967 - Illuminated & Calligraphic Manuscripts, 30, no. 103, pl. 40; Bond and Faye, Supplement, 263; Wieck, Late Medieval and Renaissance Illuminated Manuscripts, 125

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Language: Latin *Country:* Italy *Century:* 15th

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Part 1: ff. 1-269v

Description: - Parchment - 268 x 185 mm - 1 column

Country: Italy

Cardinal point:

Region: Lombardy

City: Milan?

Assigned Date: s. XV^{med}

Searchable Date Range: 1400 - 1499

Dated by scribe: No

Inscribed Date:

Document: No

Number of Scribes: ;

Script: Humanistic

Figurative Decoration: 1 large historiated initial with inhabited foliate border

Other Decoration: 10 large foliate initials; numerous illuminated initials

Notes: Greek passages are supplied by a different, crowded, hand in red. Armorial drawing with arms erased. Latin

Number of Texts: 3

Text 1: ff. 1-240

Author: Lactantius

Title: De divinis institutionibus

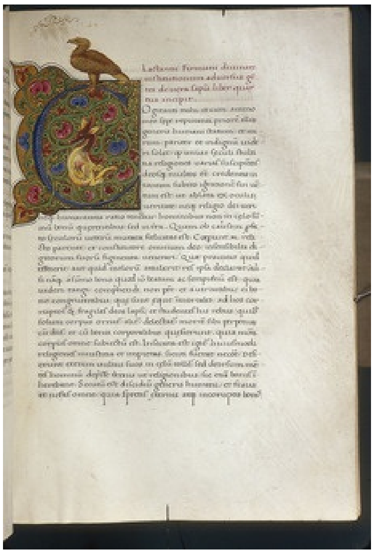
Language(s): Latin



f. 1v Elderly man writing in an open book, as king and two other elderly men with books look on.

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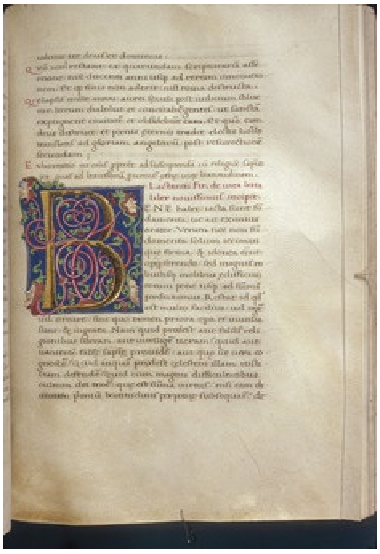
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f. 103 Painted initial "C" with hawk

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f. 225 Painted initial "B" with profile faces growing out of the acanthus leaves

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Text 2: ff. 240-265
Author: Lactantius
Title: De ira dei
Language(s): Latin

Text 3: ff. 265-269
Author: Jerome
Title: De viris illustribus de Lactantio Firmiano
Language(s): Latin